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Applicant herein further provides a reference to co-pending applications pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(1):

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2. 09/841,513	Apr. 24, 2001	Lizardi	13172.0013U4
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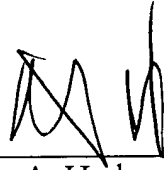
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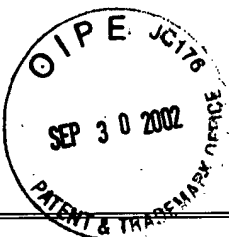
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	B6	6,344,329	Feb. 5, 2002	Lizardi			

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